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Products on hearing aids are listed on websites.

Top DHHS State News

Federal Civil Rights Advocates Spoke to Deaf Community in Fort Wayne



Stephanie J. Buckner

At the invitation of Indiana Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Robin C. Deykes from Washington DC, and Stephanie J. Buckner from Chicago, came to Fort Wayne, Indiana to present information on achieving ADA mandated access to about 50 Deaf and hard of hearing people attended the presentations on Thursday evening,

August 18, 2005. Ms. Deykes is an investigator for the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. and Stephanie J. Buckner works at the Federal Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Chicago. DHHS provided ASL interpreters and a CART provider at the meeting. A variety of ADA topics were covered, including Title II and III, HIPPA, and how to file ADA complaints. Free ADA materials were distributed.



Robin C. Deykes



FREE MONTHLY LEGAL HOTLINE AVAILABLE

Legal Line, a service where volunteer attorneys are available to answer legal questions, will be offered from 6 to 8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month. The Indianapolis Bar Association created the hotline as a community service. Anyone with a question or need for legal advice can call the hotline and speak to a qualified attorney (for deaf and hard of hearing: use TTY or VRS). Call 317-269-2000 (voice) to reach the hotline. (Source: On Target, Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities, July 2005 issue)



Conference News

A Success for the 2005 Indiana Deaf and Educational In- terpreters Confer- ence

Over 300 Deaf educators and educational interpreters across Indiana converged at Hamilton-Boone-Madison Education Center in Carmel to participate in a two-day conference. This second year conference had nearly twice the atten-

dance as the conference held in Indianapolis last year. The keynote speaker, Dr. Jay Innes who is a professor at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., outlined scientific research on the importance of early language accessibility for Deaf children. A variety of presentations were made by numerous speakers.

The conference was sponsored by Indiana Outreach Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children. The purpose of Outreach Services is to identify the needs of deaf and hard of hearing children and their families throughout the state of Indiana and to find the resources to meet those needs. For more information, contact: Indiana Outreach Services for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Children;

1200 E. 42ndSt; Indianapolis, IN 46205. Phone: 317-920-6311; website: www.deaf-kids.com.

Deaf Hoosier Community News

New Organization: Indiana Deaf/Blind Association

A new organization named Indiana Deaf/Blind Association has been recently established. A brochure defining its mission and other information is being published and will soon be ready for distribution.

For more information or to find out about future meetings, contact:

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Interpreter's Turn

IAD/ICRID State Conference Updated

The schedule for workshops at the IAD/ICRID State Conference on October 13-15 in Richmond is now available. The events will begin on Thursday evening at 3:00 p.m. with registration and end on Saturday night with a banquet keynote speaker and Miss Deaf Indiana Pageant. The following is a schedule of the conference events:

Thursday Evening

3:00-5:00 PM

Registration

5:00-8:00 PM

Workshop: A Rose By Any Other Name

David Evans (.3 CEUs)

Workshop: How Deaf Children Think

Beatrice Pfaff (.3 CEUs)

Friday

7:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:00-11:00 AM

IAD: Forum

ICRID: Board Meeting/Elections

Buffet Luncheon with Norman Lewis, Keynote Speaker

11:30-1:30 PM

Workshop: Who Said What To Whom

David Evans (.2 CEUs)

1:45-3:45 PM

Workshop: History of ICRID

Judith Carson (.2 CEUs)

Workshop: FCC Regulations

Greg Gantt (.2 CEUs)

4:00-6:00 PM

Workshop: Who Said What to Whom

David Evans (.2 CEUs)

Workshop: Grant Writing 001

Dave Calvert (.2 CEUs)

Workshop: Black Deaf History

Donald Tinsley (.2 CEUs)

6:30 PM

IAD/ICRID Silent Auction

7:00-8:30 PM

IAD/ICRID Presidential Reception

8:00-9:00 PM

Entertainment in ASL with Leslie Warren and Keith Vinci

9:00-Midnight

Music and Dancing with D.J. Chuck Green

Saturday

7:00-8:00 AM

Registration and IAD Credentialing

7:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:00-11:00 AM

IAD: Board Meeting/Elections

Workshop: Building Your Knowledge Brenda Walker-Prudom (.3 CEUs)

12:00 Noon

Silent Auction Closes

Lunch on Your Own

1:30-4:30 PM

Workshop: Building Your Knowledge

Brenda Walker-Prudom (.3 CEUs)

Workshop: Remembering Lou Fant

Micki Baumgart (.3 CEUs)

Workshop: How A Bill is Passed

David Geeslin (.3 CEUs)

Workshop: Robert's Rules of Order

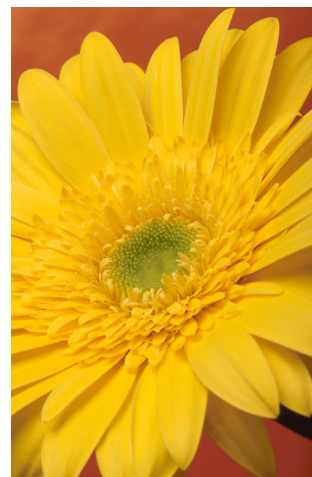
Libby Pollard (.3 CEUs)

6:00-12:00 PM Banquet

Libby Pollard, Keynote Speaker

Miss Deaf Indiana Pageant

For information on registration, contact Nancy Young, 4221 Medina Way, Indianapolis, IN 46227 or go to the website and look for the DHHS Gazette, <http://www.in.gov/fssa/dhhs/>.





Training in Indiana

October 13-15, 2005

2005 IAD/ICRID State Conference

Holiday Inn, Richmond, IN
Deka Oliver, P.O. Box 44726,
Indianapolis, IN 46244 or
Nancy Young, 4221 Medina
Way, Indianapolis, IN 46227

October 20, 2005

American Sign Language Coffeehouse

Esther & Wilmer Merrick, Bill
Storm, Kenny Hoover, Angela
Allen as moderator
Time: 6:00-9:00 p.m.
The Crossing Café, 1202 W.
Pike St., Goshen, IN 46526
Phone: 574-534-7625 (voice)
www.solidrockcrossing.com

October 22, 2005

Honing Fingerspelling and Number Skills

Elizabeth Beldon, professor at
Bethel College
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Bethel College
Phone: 574-257-2577
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Need hearing aids?

Did you know many hearing aid manufacturers now have a consumer hotline available to help direct you to an audiologist or hearing aid distributor in your area? Referrals given are familiar with the company's specific product line.

Bernafon 888.941.4203

<http://bernafon.com>

GNResound 800.248.4327

www.gnresound.com

Interton 800.247.4741

www.interton-usa.com

Micro-Tech 800.745.4327

www.hearing-aid.com

Oticon 800.526.3921

www.oticonus.com

Phonak 800.679.4871

www.phonak-us.com

Unitron 800.888.8882

www.unitronhearing-us.com

Rexton 800.876.1141

www.rexton.com

Siemens 800.766.4500

www.usa.siemens.com/hearing

Sonic Innovations

888.678.4327 <http://sonici.com>

Starkey 800.328.8602

www.starkey.com

Widex <http://widexusa.com>

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